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Only 3 weeks to CHRISTMAS

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Any of the following lines will make acceptable Presents:—Smoking Jackets, Bath Robes, Furlined Gloves, Mitts and Gauntlets, Silk Umbrellas, Silk and Wool Mufflers, Silk Suspenders, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, a beautiful line of White and Colored Shirts just received especially for the

250 DOZEN

of the Newest and Latest Styles in NECKWEAR

will be opened next week. The choice of the 3 Leading Manufactures, 10c., 15c., 25c., 40c., 50c., 75c. These are the real Hot Shots.

Our FUR DEPARTMENT is interesting to people who know good Furs, and we have some things that will make very acceptable, comfortable presents, both for Ladies and Gentlemen. We will try and give a more complete list next week. In the meantime come in and look around and see what we got. Don't put off your buying till the best is gone.

FRED. T. WARD

SALE FIRE

BIG BARCAIN DAYS, Thursday, Friday & Saturday, Dec. 4, 5, 6.

LADIES' WRAPPERS—Now the only time to buy and buy cheap. All our Wrappers are greatly reduced and of the best quality and style.

WRAPPERETTES, very heavy, double-faced, at 9c. and 10c. See this line. DRESS GOODS REMNANTS SALE—These are great bargains. Have a great many and selling at much below cost.

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LADIES' READY-TO-WEAR SKIRTS, the best make, goods and style superior to any other cloth, prices ranging from \$1.75 to \$6.50.

LADIES' UNDERSKIRTS, in mercerized stateen, selling at greatly reduced rices, from 75c. to \$3.50.

Ladies' Black SATEEN WAISTS—Prices too numerous to mention.

KID GLOVES—This week we will make a special sale of Gloves at \$1.00, in slack, for 25c.; 65c., in tan, for 25c.

GENTS' UNDERWEAR—A bargain for those who want something good, PRINTS at reduced prices and guaranteed to wash.

GENIS UNDERWEAR—A bargain for those who want something good. PRINTS at reduced prices and guaranteed to wash. FANCY OPERA FLANNELS—Our assortment is large. Now you can buy ur \$1.25 Waists for \$1.00. Don't miss this opportunity.

BOYS' TOQUES, 35c. now 25c. All perfect.
A cheap lot Ladies' and Gents' Rubbers, greatly reduced. All goods selling at duced prices.

On Friday we want all your Dressed Chickens. Must be fat, young, dry picked and drawn. Paying 7c, lb.

C. F. STICKLE.

To Our Patrons Greeting.

How about your Christmas shopping? Christmas bells will soon ring merrily. Have you selected your gifts?

If not you cannot do better than to visit our Exposition of all that is artistically choice in our line. The selection displayed of

Fine Watches, Jewelry, Silverware and Novelties

has much to recommend it. It is the best we have ever shown, and you know what we have done in the past. There is wisdom in buying this class of goods from reputable dealers, and then you know how easily reachable our prices always are.

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IF YOU WANT THE BEST TO BE HAD IN

Christmas Groceries

It will pay you to come to us. Never before have we been so well prepare to fill your wants in this line. We have a select stock and quote the lowes

Finest Valencia and California Raisins, Cleaned Currants, Figs and Dates, Peels, Spices, Marmalades, Canned Goods, etc.

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we will give you anything you wish for. Dinner and Tea Sets at close prices. Something nice in Bedroom Sets, Five O'Clock Tea Sets, Porridge Sets, Egg Baskets, Salad Bowls, Fruit Dishes, and all the novelties to be found in a first-class stock of Chinaware.

ember us when you are looking for anything in the line of

Fancy Biscuits & Confectionery

for we are in the Lead. Goods delivered to any part of the town

JOHN SHAW.

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Stirling Board of Education, held Dec. nd. Members present, G. W. Faulker, Chairman J. Boldrick, M. Bird, A. Chard, T. G. Clute, Jos. Doak, J. Chard, T. G. Clute, Jos. Doak, J. The minutes of last meeting were ead and confirmed.

Communications were received from the Misses Grass, Hawken and Hutcheson, teachers in the village schools, and the control of the confirmed.

Stirling School Board.

Mr. Dosa .

Be \$400, to date from her engagement be \$400, to date from her engagement carried.

Moved by Mr. Boldrick, seconded by Mr. Shaw, that the property committee have Mr. Warren make the required repairs to the furnace in the Public School and if he is unable to do so, that they employ some other party. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Chard, seconded by Mr. Scott, that the Secretary advertise for 45 cords of body maple wood, sawed 4 feet long, to be delivered on the school grounds this winter. Tenders to be received up to Jan. 15th. Carried.

John S. Black, Sec'y.

Village Council.

Shot by His Friend.

A Murderous Attack Made in a Lonely Place.

Belleville, Nov. 30.—High County Constable Duffin, who went in pursuit of Oliver, arrested him to-day at his home in Ameliasburg. The constable, with his prisoner, arrived at 4.45 this afternoon and lodged him in the county jail. Oliver has not made any statement as to the cause of his shooting Skelton, who is physically greatly inferior to him.

Mr. H. Austin, of Fenelon Falls, had a new fur overcoat stolen from the parlor of the Angle-American Hotel at Belleville, while he was at dinner.

There is a prospect of the Belleville

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Clean Goods Closely Priced.

6000 yds. Grey Cottons at less than present mill prices, bought last Spring on a low market and now sold accordingly—Yard wide, Heavy Cottons at 5c., 3c. and 8c., now worth 6c., 8c. and 10c.

1000 yds. White Cotton (Steamloom), extra heavy, worth 12½c. for 10c. yd. Flannelette Remnants, 10 to 12 yd. ends, in both light and dark colors, at 35c. per lb.

7 lb. size All Wool Blankets, worth \$3.00 for \$2.50.

Xmas Xtras.

We have just opened up an import package of fine Valenciennes Laces, Lace Applique Trimmings, Embroideries, Fancy Linens, Pillow Shams, Lace Trimmed and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, etc. These are well worth in-specition.

Gloves, Mitts, Gauntlets.

Every want of Man, Woman and Child has been looked after in the as-embling of our stock.

Gauntlets in real Fur and Imitation at 50c. to \$5.00 pair.

Men's Kid and Moca Gloves, lined and unlined, at 50c. to \$2.00 pair.

Boys' Mitta and Gloves at 25c. to 50c. pair.

Ladies' Cashmere, Ringwood and Moca Gloves at 25c. to \$1.25 pair.

FANCY GOODS

Take a look at our tables and counters covered with Fancy China and lass, Toys and Novelties. 25c. makes a big purchase.

FURS.

Fur time is coming gentle reader and the "Sterling Hall" prices on Fur Garments of every style and kind will save you dollars to invest in other purchases. Have a look at our offerings in the fur line, and have a talk with us on the fur question before purchasing.

GROCERIES.

"Sterling Hall" Groceries as you all know are always fresh and good "and ur prices share the profits with you.

Trenor's Blue Eagle Raisins	200		-		-	10c. lb.
New Clean Currants, 4 lbs. for		-		-		25c.
New Figs, 5 lbs. for -	37	1				25c.
New Prunes, 5 lbs. for -						25c.
Sweet Wine Biscuit, 5 lbs. for		-		-	-	25c.
Quaker Oats, 2 lb. package -		de.	- 3	164		- 10c.
New English Mixed Peels,	-					20c. lb.
Salt in Barrels at		-		-		\$1.35.

POULTRY WANTED—All kinds, on Wednesdays, Dec. 10th and 17th. Highest price will be paid in trade. DIRECTIONS—Starve until crops are empty, dry pick bodies clean, leave large wing and tail feathers on, don't draw.

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Enterprise Cheese Factory.

The Annual Meeting of the Enterprischesse Manufacturing Company will it held at the factory, on Friday, Dec. 12th 19 o'clock, a.m., for the purpose of paying lividends, election of officers, engaging the essemaker, and any other business is onnection with the company.

W. T. SINE, Pres.

Shamrock Cheese Company.

J. W. SAGER, Pres.

Harold Cheese Factory.

The Annual Meeting of the Har Cheese Manufacturing Company will held at the factory, on Tuesday, Dec. 16 at the hour of one o'clock, p.m., for to purpose of electing officers, paying di dends, letting milk routes, and any oth business in connection with the compan

2 young Cows, grade Jersey, milking. Orders taken for Lumber, in car lots, delivered at any station on C. O. R.

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News-Argus to Jan. 1, '04, \$1.

THE MARKETS

Prices of Grain, Cattle, etc in Trade Centres.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

nces steady.

c per pair, and young,
ve, 50 to 60c. Ducks,
b. 880 per pair. Geese,
lb., and turkeys, 9½ to

An Ottawa despatch says: During

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

wkee, Dec. 2. — Wheat—Stea-sed, No. 1 Northern, 76 to o. 2 Northern, 74‡ to 75‡c, 6‡c. Ryc—Steady; No. 1, Harley—Firm; No. 2, 66‡c, 35 to 59c. Corn — Decem

LIVE STOCK MARKETS

	yards to-day:		
	Cattle. Export cattle, per ewt	\$4.50	\$5.25
	Export cattle, per ene	4.00	4.50
	Do., light shoice	8.75	4.50
	Butcher cattle, choice	0.10	1.00
	Do., ordinary to	3.00	8.50
	Stockers, per cwt	2.50	3.25
	Sheep and La	mbs.	
	Export ewes, per cwt	3.40	3.65
	Lambs, per cwt	3.50	4.00
	Bucks, per cwt	2.50	2.75
		.2.00	8.00
	Culled sheep, each		0.00
ı	Milkers and Ca	uves.	58.00
	Cows, each	85.00	
	Calves, each	2.00	10.00
ı	Hogs.		
ı	Choice hogs, per cwt	5.75	6.12
i	Light hogs, per cwt	5.50	5.87
	Heavy hogs, per cwt	5.50	5.87
		4.00	4.25
	Sows, per cwt	1.00	9.20

KING SOLOMON'S THRONE.

to Lord Curzen to Sit on It at Cor enation Durbar.

of boxed lots CHANGES IN POSTAL RATES

An Ottawa despatch says: During the quarter ending Sunday, 27 new post-offices were opened in Candada, 18 were closed, and the names of ten were changed. Hereafter Til-Sunday, 18 were changed.

BANKER TAKES HIS LIFE.

Suicide of Thomas Howarth, of Oakville.

An Oakville despatch says: rew and Howarth, shot himself the rew and Howarth, shot himself the wardus VII., twen 12.30 and 1 o'cleck on Monday, and died two hours later. The day, and died two hours later. The ARMERS HAVE NO SHARE.

ARE NOT DESTITUTE.

Department of Interior Denies a Story.

HUNG ON WINDMILL.

Terrible Death of a Dairyman Near Bowmanville.

EXPLOSION KILLED 13.

Seven Also Injured by Blowing up of Oil in Chicago.

A Chicago despatch says: With a cafening report a boiler in Switt and Company's plant exploded short-y after 10 o'clock on Saturday norning. Thirteen lives were sacinced, and scores of employes, vistors, and others were injured. Huge olders were sent through the says.

A NEW KIMBERLEY.

Diamonds Are Found in British Columbia.

wenyss, M. E., late of the

NEW WAR MEDAL.

on the Obverse.

Land Company Has Reservation Upon Oil Wells of Kent.

FREE OF THE PLAGUE.

OUR PROSPEROUS FARMERS

ARE INCREASING IN WEALTH, DEBT DECREASING.

Comprehensive Report on Agricultural Conditions in Ontario.

The Ontario Department of Agriculture has just published a comprehensive report giving details of the values of the agricultural resources of the province in 1904, with tables showing the comparative values during the last ten years, a number of other valuable statistics.

There were registered against the farmers of the province 7.757 chattel mortgages as security for \$2.54.759, a decrease of over a quarter of a million dollars in this line of-liability since the previous year.

A despatch from Toronto says: A despatch from Toronto says: A

BOHOTLE RELIEVED.

Mad Mullah Is Preparing for Stubborn Resistance.

An Aden, Arabia, despatch says: General Manning's flying column re-lieved Bohotle, Somaliland, Novem-ber 19. He found 35 per cent. of the men composing the garrison suf-fering from malarial fever. The Mad Mullah is in the vicinity of Mudug, preparing to contest any advance of the British.

STOLE A COOL \$600,000.

Manager of a Paris Insurance Co. Missing.

A Paris despatch says:—The police are looking for the manager of the Esperance Insurance Company. The man, who is a Belgian, has absconded. It is reported that he has taken three million francs of the company's money.

THEIR OCEAN GRAVES.

Five Hundred Dead Chinamen Go to the Bottom.

A Victoria, B. C., despatch says:
The steamer Ventnor, which recently took lumber from this coast to treorient, has foundered near Hokiangh, near New Zealand, when bound from Wellington to Hong Kong with 5.-347 tons of coal and 500 coffins containing the remains of Chinese for interment in China.

Source, the fifth big outburst since the cutstropho of May 7, took

No Diseased Cattle Have Yet NEW ZEALAND ELECTIONS.

All Government Has Won by a Ma-jority of Twenty-five.

A Wellington, N.Z., despatch says:

The Government has wen the New
Zealand election by a majority of the red and volcanic election for the red and volcanic seats, while the party in favor of the reduction of licenses won nine.

RIVAL SYNDICATES.

Two Schemes, for Taking Settlers Into New Ontario.

DOUKHOBOR CHIEF.

dependent Company.

A despatch from Torento says yndicate of Torento expital inderstood to include Mr. Will dackenzie, President of the Tore tailway, and Mr. Frederic Nich danaging Director of the Considered Electric Company, has brined to secure power from gara and to provide against inply being monopolized by An

LOOK TO CANADA.

Texas Range Owners Wish to Secure Grazing Lands.

CATTLE EXPORT TRADE.

DIED FROM HORROR.

Man Killed by Train and Specta-tor Expires.

RECORD IN CUSTOMS.

\$188,800 Collected at Montreal of Friday.

QUARANTINED AT BOSTON.

A Washington, D. C., despa says: Secretary of Agriculture V son on Thursday promulgated an der establishing a quarantine of c tie, sheep and other runmants as

PRIVILEGE ABUSED.

No Franked Letters to Be Delivered Save on Business.

An Ottawa despatch says: Ow o recent abuse of the 'franking I ilege' an order has been issued he effect that no free letters will divered to the public department

JAMAICA'S SUGAR GROWERS Agitating for Reciprocity With United States.

PLEE IS SPOUTINGE.

Violent Eruptions in Martin Still Continuing.

NOCULATION EXTRAORDINARY

KIDNEY TROUBLE.

DISEASE THAT OFTEN TER-

L. Lussier, of Sorel, Tells w He Overcame the Trou-ble After Repeated Fail-ures.

CONCRETE ON THE FARM.

ALLS AND FLOORING OF NS IT IS INVALUABLE.

Results from common soaps: eczema, coarse hands, ragged clothes, shrunken flannels.

NLIGHT REDUCES

F. W. HODSON, Live Stock Commission

Deafness Cannot be Cured

aring, and water is chiraly closed as is he result, and unless the finding and inclusive he finding can be taken out and this unberestored nominal condition, fearing will be de forever; nine cases out of ten are by cutarrh, which is colling but as it will give One Hundred Dollars for any Deafnews (caused by caterth) thatean cured by Hall's Caterth Cure. Send unless, free.

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THE STORY

OF A PRISONER.

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Bokhara Jackets.

Ladies' Astrachan

dently determined to go one better than the other.

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"So am I then," retorted Cousin Willie.

"Don't be silly, Willie," interpolated the third. "Why, you're a boy!"

"You're an astronomer, are:
"Yes."
"Shake! I'm a theatrical manager.
wonder if you have as hard a time
nding new stars as I have."

"You never stay out after 10 o'clock, do you?"
"I did once," answered Mr. Meekton. "Henrietta forgot and locked the door."

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"Soing down?"
The nasal tones of the elevator boy echoed down the corridor of the Nassau apartments.
Walter Fleming rose abruptly and slammed the door.
"Going down?"
Of course, everything was going down from the stocks he had bought last week to the hope of his heart. The stocks might rise if he held them long enough. The hope of his heart was apparently dashed beyond remedy. Marion Willis had effected the latter catastrophe in a few words, cutting to the point of bitterness. They had been engaged three billssfully short months,



SHED HER GENTLY INTO THE LEATH-ER SEAT.

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as if her supply of self control was

oy—Charle."
es—of course," responded the
ident. "We'll dismiss him at
have a new boy on this

THE SPLASHING HOUSE.

JUMPING THE DEER.

The Way of the World.
We met the people going one way with their arms loaded with beautiful flowers.
"Whither do you drift?" we asked.
"We go," they exclaimed, "to adorn the graves of our dead heroes."
Later on we met them with the arms full of bricks,
"And now where?" we asked again, "To throw these at our living heroes," they again explained, with pitying smiles at our dumbness.

The Small Brother.
"It heard him call you 'duckie,'" announced the small brother.
"Yell, what of it?" demanded his sister defiantly.
"Oh, nothin' much," answered the small brother. "I was only thinkin' maybe it's because of the way you walk, but it ain't very nice of him,"

Obliging Sonts.

The goats of Naples go upstairs into enement houses to be milked, sometimes to the sixth or seventh stories.

Wine and Amethyst.
The ancients believed that wine drunk from an amethyst cup would not intoxicate.

Street Car Tips.

In some German cities it is customary to fee street car conductors, who are thus enabled to add from \$4 to \$6 a month to their income.

Shetland Nights.
etland's shortest night is five
s, but her longest is over eighteen

The Power of Persuasion

Or Lady Caraven's Labor of Love.

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he said, kind-helped." her face bright-y she looked up light in her her "dear" for life, and he had

Hamilton may be very hought, "but she will not The wo Was sh

Critical Time in Woman's



"H youse married a title, Clorinda, wo a carless?"
"I t'ink I'd radder be a coal baroness."

said. Sir Raoul, frankly, he must admire her. She picture by Greuze. But if He is she worth any expensicalousy, I answer just as and the control of the said of th

dy. "Why should you or ch a thing?"

It say that I imagine it, by merely warn you against clred Sir Raoul.

y is as bitter as death!" se haunted Lady Caraven. jo alous? She could hardly

(To Be Continued).

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THE PLAYWRIGHT'S STORY

ival and I were chums ncial stage we managed to ty closely to each other-iney's talent began to as-He was a born actor, was an indifferent one at and he soon left me far te got to London and be-talked about as the com-

It jogged along and mainly through Sydney's tained a footing in the eatres. Soon after this sweet little woman who aged leading lady to my in the provinces. With laries—for she was then condon—we managed to retty comfortably, and believe, I was the hapnearth.

I believe, two on earth or carthal who was a backe-ways sure of a welcome ible little home, and he tant visitor there. Now, had entertained a desire a playwright. As an acself a failure, but I had

s, I must mention that as a get me one. Ethel seemed to be thism some years before, and income the street of thism some years before, and direction. Percival suffered at from neuralgia of a very proceed type, and once he laughing-greated that I should try my the development of the surgested that I should try my the development of the surgested that I should try my the development of the surgested that I should try my the development of the surgested that I should try my the development of the surgested that I suggested that on watsing the pains would threly gone. The experiment a distinct success, and I had shifted more or twice since that on watsing the pains would thirely gone. The experiment of the surgest of the

will remember nothing of ten you awake," I went on brought him out of the

Then I brought him out of the sistep. "Thanks, awfully, old man. I feel as fit as a trivet now," he said, as he shook himself, "and now I must be going."

He was gone, and I—I paced the room with great strides and panting breast, like a wild beast yearning for its now.

eatre and putting her arms my neck kissed me adieu. ! Yes-little they knew! Oh, power was strong enough! It it must be! Who the dupe

Is, I would go! A horrible fas-His tion drew me towards the house notes so terrible a tragedy was to author to could see, without be-A courtein was come, up for the his courtein was come, and the his courtein was considered.

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slightly ajar, I heard ife's and Percival's. I They had not heard owas speaking: "We is him to go to some spot, away from the a change of air and ne place where he wills. Then we can mature Oh, I feel certain of at a surprise it will be must not know of our would spoil everything. "You must keep very quiet, dear," "It was my wife. She kissed me, and I felt the het tears doop on my would spoil everything it was divented by the said. "You will soon be get stronger, now." "How long." I knows he said. "You will soon be you self again, now." "She went from the room, and left the other woman, whom I found to be a nurse, by my side. Then, and the causes that the will night, and the causes that eavil night, and the causes that a will night, and the causes that eavil night, and the causes the eavil of the cause the cause the cause the cause the cause that a the cause the cau

cing my restless con-c a sleeping draubht in I sank into uncon-

and dome! They and Mrs. Ethel Tempest will play Bentrice."

Then followed a list of the cast, a synopsis of the scerery, and comments by the writer.

The second act, you are only acting gers. Good heavens! What did it rangle her in very large of the scenery, and commission of the scerery, and comments by the writer.

The paper dropped from my fingers. Good heavens! What did it that I had staked so much on—to cok. The hand was just pointing to cight. Hastily gathering up a coat, hat, and muffler, I rushed downstairs—all my weakness gone in the Colosseum. I went in and took whirl of excitement which possessed me. My feet carried me swift will have been and I reached and entered the Colosseum. I went in and took the colosseum. I went in and took the colosseum. I went in and took ing.

Light Proposition where I was not like beast yearning beast yearning before going to link.

w I hung on every line and tily watched every gesture, not-tery accent. The first act was and a round of applause ght the curtain up again and the there in a frenzy of excitement. There in a frenzy of excitement they acted—those two! I had seen anything like it, and the ince rose at their after each tion in

stammer, brokenly: "Heaven bless you both, and forgive me." "There is nothing to forgive," said Percival. "Think of it no

you both to more said Percival. "Think of it no more."

And between us three the subject has never been spoken of again—London Tit-Bits.

Traces of the Original Side Show Fake.

characteristics of their race. The rajah added that the real wild men lived in the mountains.

Protected by nature to a large extent, they live in the fashion of men of the stone age, without many of the accomplishments of gentlemen of that period. They defend themselves with stones, not even having learned the art of making the stone hatchet, which indicates that they are considerably behind the state of civilization in which our ancestors of the stone age lived.

They are cave dwellers, not having learned to build shelters and probably not carring to. They are monogamous. Culture is at such a loweb with them that they cannot even count, and they do not know how to tell a lie. They are in such a primitive state that they have to tell the truth. Possibly their vocabulary is not sufficiently developed.

These stories of the rajah have interested the scientists, and they are now in the mountains trying to find the real "wild man of Borneo."

LIABILITY TO DEAFNESS.

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A French surgeon says that men are more subject to aural diseases than women and that out of every seven middle-aged persons there are two who do not hear as well with one ear as with the other. In every thousand children under fifteen years of age four show symptoms of some ear disease, and six a marked deficiency in hearing power. The liability to disease increases from birth to the age of forty, and then begins gradually to decrease as old age advances. Out of the total number of cases subjected to surgical treatment, it is estimated that about 53 per cent. are cured, and 30 per cent. permanently relieved.

BRITONS WED BOER WOMEN

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Britons making South Africa their home are marrying Boer women. Two of these unions have just taken place at Port Elizabeth. The bridegrooms were stalwart members of the South African Constabulary and the brides genuine Boer maidens, who, with their imperfect knowledge of the English language, had some difficulty in getting through the marriage service. But this little hitch was overcome, and the girls looked happy as they drove away in their wedding carts. The vehicles were decorated with yellow ribbon, the ex-Free State color, while the horses were adorned with red, white and blue.

Only 5½ per cent. of the globe's land surface is fit for cultivation.



SOMETHING IN A NAME. First Chappie (just from abroad)
This is the last time I shall cross
December.

Chappie—Was it very

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men of Calabon of the control of the control of the "side show," the wild Borneo. Dr. Paul and Dr. Sarasin are the explores who atting the wild man on his man at the two scientists landed at sar they heard stories of the mac of the wild men, and these thought to be merely myths. It said that a type of primitive was extant and to be found in seir informants said the wild men es os shy and untamable that it almost impossible to get near to move to catch a glimpse of minds had taken to the mountains and had frighteed the may be a seed that the wild men, or wood men and had frighteed the may be a seed that the wild men, or wood men and had frighteed the may be a seed that the wild men, or wood men and had frighteed the may be a seed that the wild men, or wood men and had frighteed the may be a seed that the wild men, or wood men and had frighteed the may be a seed that the world, the British Depoint of the kinded on the saint that the wild men, or wood men. They proceeded to this district bearing gifts to the potentate. Under the influence of a wise distribution of presents the explorers so worked on the rajah that he agreed to show theme critain types of the wood men who were held in captivity as a seed that the world, the british of the more than seed the wild men, or wood men who were held in captivity as a seed that the world in the mind the seed that the world without one seed the wild men, or wood men and the seed that the world in the world, the British of the more than seed the world without an exception, have the world without an exce

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The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1902

LOCAL MATTERS.

Special services are being held every evening this week in St. John's church. All are welcome.

Bargains, that bring the buyers back, at

Reeve Thrasher stated positively this morning that he would not be a candidate for the Reeveship, nor for the Council next year.

The Sunday School of the Methodist Church intend giving an entertainment on the evening of Christmas day. Fur-ther particulars later.

The pupils of the High School intend giving an entertainment on the evening of New Year's day. Don't forget the date. Further particulars later.

Seasonable, reasonable and comfortable Xmas Gifts at Ward's.

Remember the Farmers' and Wo-men's Institute meetings to-morrow afternoon and evening. These meetings are always interesting and instructive, and should be largely attended.

The union temperance meeting in the Methodist Church last Sunday evening was largely attended, and interesting address were given by Rev. Mr. Burns, Mr. Paulin, Mr. Jas. Scott, Mr. L. Meiklejohn, and Dr. Bissonnette.

We are arranging a Xmas feast for your yes and pockets at Ward's.

While Mr. R. Hoard and family, of Anson, were at a church service on Thursday evening of last week, some one entered their house and searched every room, but took nothing only a good feed of cake and milk. It looked as if money was their object of search, but none was found.

The temperance meeting in the Music Hall last evening was largely attended, and Rev. Dr. Galbraith, of Belleville, delivered an able address on the question to be voted on to-day. Before the address a chorus was given by a number of school children, and a solo by Miss Edith Conley. Rev. S. S. Burns presided.

presided.

The anniversary services of the Mt. Pleasant church, Rawdon circuit, will be held on Dec. 14th. Rev. Mr. Courtice of Frankford, will preach morning and evening. Don't forget the annual entertainment the following evening, Dec. 15th. A better programme than ever before is being prepared. Refreshments served. Past reputation is all the recommendation required. Come everybody.

Ladies' and Gentlemen's Furs at Ward's

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D. D. M. G. L. Scott, installed the
ollowing officers in Stirling Lodge L.O.
A. No. 110, on Tuesday evening last:
W. M.—Robt. Eggleton.
D. M.—Wm. Rodgers.
Chap.—W. S. Martin.
R. S.—Alfred Reid.
F. S.—Robt. G. Rodgers.
T.—J. H. Reid.
D. of C.—Thos. McGee, sen.
Lect.—Jas. Montgomery.
Com.—T. T. McKee, G. L. Scott,
Jesse Barlow, Archie McGee,
Jesse Tice.
On Sunday evening last, during the

Stirling Public School.

Honor Roll for Nov.

SENIOR DEPARTMENT

JUNIOR. III.—Herbert Ward, John hompson, May Kennedy, Helen Shea, azel Reynolds.

Thompson, May Kennedy, Helen Shea, Hazel Reynolda. Sr. III.—George Ingham, Charlotte Tulloch, Ada Harris, Ella Brown. IV. Class—Bessie Ward, Donald Bird, Irene Duke, Walter Scott, Hettie Bailey.

THIRD DEPARTMENT,

JR. III.—Roscoe Rosebush, Annie,
shley, Mabel Acker, and Willie Bar
ow, Arthur Fletcher, Robert Patter

son.
SR. II.—Maud Haslett, Ethel Summerfield, Marguerite Whitty, Hazel Hagerman, Florence Hewat.
JR. II.—Blanche Montgomery, Ross Reynolds and Ernest Ward, Blanche Chard, Robert Belshaw, Rosscoe Wright M. K. LAMBLY, Teacher.

CLASS I.—Ernest Chard, Frank Zwick, Delbert Acker. CLASS II.—Evelyn McCutcheon, Ed-na Girdwood, George Shea. CLASS III.—Jean Milne, Eva Chard, Robbie Thompson, Edith Gould, Olive Headon.

L. GRASS, Teacher. PRIMARY DEPARTMENT.

CLASS III—Bryson Donnan, Mar thard, Roy Bissonnette, Wilmot Bail y, Clinton Bowen, Earl Acker, Perc

ey, Clinton Bowen, Earl Louis Utman.
CLASS II.—Charlie Patterson, Hazel Airhart, Georgie Smith.
CLASS I.—Marjorie Meiklejohn, Walter Chard, Mollie Patterson.
E. HAWKEN, Teacher.

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Average lbs. milk in lb. cheese,

" price per lb. cheese,
not including interest. 40.07
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Interest on deposits. 109.26
Received from other sources. 19.26
Total receipts from all sources. 15,626.02
Paid for manufacturing cheese
at 7 mills. 1077.27
Paid on building of factory acc. 70.00
Incidental expenses. 141.76
Net amount paid in dividends. 14,838.08
Total expenditure. 15,622.11
Balance on hand. 3.91
Average price per standard for verage price per standard for stockholders

stockholders 27.26
Average price per standard for patrons. 25.96
Milk drawing at 94 ets per standard to be deducted.
The old officers were reelected. Mr.
R. W. Thompson was reengaged as cheesemaker.

Halloway

From Our Own Correspondent.

The oyster supper on the 25th, under the auspices of the League, was a decided success, both the supper and the programme giving pleasure to all.

Rov. W. D. P. Wilson, of Cannifton, preached a very forcible and interesting sermon here on Sunday last.

Mr. Geo. Cadman intends moving on the farm which Mr. Jno. Stewart is leaving to move to Belleville, and Mr. F. Cook will take the farm which Mr. Cadman leaves.

Mrs. Ernest Snider, (nee Miss Jennie Ostrom) of Thurlow, is seriously ill, the result of a fall.

The annual meeting of Halloway cheese factory is to be held on the 10th inst.

Mr. Alax. Ward called at this of the state of th

inst. Mr. Alex. Ward called at his old homestead last week after burying his wife near Toronto. She was ill only a short time with pneumonia, and leaves a husband and five children to mourn her loss.

The December session of the County Council is now in session at Belleville. The petition against Mr. Avery, M. P. for Addington, was dismissed at Napanee.

RAINIE-In Rawdon, on Dec. 1st, the von Mr. Chas. Rainie, of a daughter.

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administration of justice account was adopted.

Mr. McFarlane reported that the committee appointed to furnish increased vault accommodation for the county had advertised for a fire-proof building and two tenders were received, one from Thos. Hanley for \$2,820 and one from Walter Alford for \$2,810. It was awarded to Mr. Alford.

Mr. Campbell, commissioner of highways of the Ontario Government, informed the Council that in order for them to get their share of the million dollar grant to roads it would be necessary to get the consent of the various townships to receive the money. If the consent of the townships was received there would be no difficulty in getting their share of the money.

Mr. Aylsworth read the Highway Act to the members of the Conneil.

Warden Holgate said he thought the

and tell their people would be the proper market for then hogs.

Mr. Hunter, who is promoter of the factory, also addressed the council. He said the company had been organized as the Belleville Packing Company, and was to build a factory capable of hand ling 2,000 hogs per week. Eighty-five per cent. of the output would be sent to the London market. There would in no trouble in disposing of the output from the council learns with pleasure from the council learns with pleasure from Mayor Graham and Mr. Hunter that company known as the Belleville Pacing Company is soon to be establish in Belleville and we hereby express of creat satisfaction with the establish in Belleville and we hereby express of creat satisfaction with the establish.

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Trenor's Blue Eagle Raisins	-	2 -		-	10c. lb.
New Clean Currants, 4 lbs. for	1000			12.	25c.
New Figs, 5 lbs. for -	-		-	0	25c.
New Prunes, 5 lbs. for -	2	191-1		1	25c.
Sweet Wine Biscuit, 5 lbs. for			3	-	25c.
Quaker Oats, 2 lb. package -		4			- 10c.
New English Mixed Peels, .	1-19	300		-	20c. lb.
Salt in Barrels at		-			\$1.35.

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P. A. LOTT, Spring Brook, Dec. 8, 1902.

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ately relieve the tension of cleave plaster on three days, substitute a similar dry flannel for protection.

LOOKS INTO MAN.

The Boy Teacher.

Tommy (inquiringly)—"Mamma, is this hair-oil in this bottle?" Mamma-is this hair-oil in this bottle?" Mamma-is this hair-oil in this bottle?" Mamma-is max-"Merey no! That's liquid glue." Tommy (nonchiantly)—"I sold face.

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It was Friday. He went again to should be do?

It was Friday. He went again to Success.

Seven Were Killed and at a high rate of speed, and right in front of the station the engine left that track and a minute afterwards went crashing into a ditch with the engineer beneath it. Fireman Harry Campbell was thrown out on his side of the engine, dity feet away.

FICES OF Grain. Cattle, etc.

in Trade Centres.

bronto, Dec. 9.—Wheat—Market is hanged. No. 2 white wheat iced at 67½ to 68c outside: Nororing is nominal at 68c east, and 2 goose at 65c east. Mantoba at steady; No. 1 hard, 85c grindin transit; No. 1 hard quoted at Goderich, and No. 1 Northern at 13-No. 2 white quoted at 73.

brontons—Market is steady at 40 to 45c per bush for Canadian.

Poulty—Offerings of boxed lots fair, and prices steady. Chickens, old, 40 to 50c per pair, and young, 55 to 68c; live, 50 to 60c. Ducks, dressed, 65 to 80c per pair. Geese, 65 to 7c per lb., and turkeys, 9½ to 11c per lb. for young.

Potatoes—The market is firm, car lots teing quoted at 85 to 87c. per hag on track. Small lots sell at \$1 months of the potential of the potential of the property of the prop THE MARKETS

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General Hold Productrs.

By quoted at \$7.25. Cured meats and I supply, with prices firm. quote :—Bacon, long clear, 11 to c, in ton and case lots. Fork—s, \$21; do, short cut, \$23. moked hans, 13½ to 14c; rolls, to 12½c; shoulders, 11 to 11½c; ks, 15 to 15½c; breakfast bacon, to 15½c.

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NOVA SCOTIA TRAIN WRECK

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TONS OF PUDDING.

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A Lendon despatch says: With the approach of Christmas, the plum pudding industry of England-which so far has not leen called upon to repel any American invasion other than that made up for consumers is in its glory. From London tons of festive pudding that their way all over the world. The Oxford street chop of the best makers of plum pudding has orders for the sending of puddings to every quarter. Many are ordered as Christmas presents for friends in the United States. The puddings are packed in tins and sent by parcel posts as a rule. A talk with the manager called forth some interest any information.

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FAMILY WIPED OUT.

Parents and Son Killed on Crossing at Havelock.

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A Havelock, Ont., despatch says

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VICTIMS OF HOTEL FIRE.

THURSDAY, DEC. 11, 1902.

The Referendum Vote.

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Markey for	75.000

LDS. milk received
" cheese made 162,997
" milk in lb. cheese 10.39
Average selling price 10.05
Returns from sale of cheese \$16,390.44
Received for interest 56.20
Paid for milk drawing 433.41
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per lb 1,955.94
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ard 24.89
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Ina Bailey is dangerously ill of
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tockings. Very little hope is ened of her recovery. She is a
f Mrs. R. Stewart and Mrs. J.

Parks, agent at Anson station from Peterboro last Monday brought with him a charming

Alex. Maitland, recently elected enant-Governor of Michigan, is a f Mr. Jas. Maitlant, of Bannock-Mr. Maitland ran on the Repub-ticket, and his majority was 40,000.

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TENDERFOOT By Charles Lee Taylor

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The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, DEC. 11, 1902.

LOCAL MATTERS.

The Sunday School at River Valley I give an entertainment and Christstree on Christmas eve.

The latest thing in Hockey Boots at Jno

A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Hockey Club is called for this evening, at the Stirling House. A full committee is requested, as important matters are to be brought before the

Smoking Jackets and Bath Robes for Xmas, at Ward's.

mas, at Ward's.

Do not forget the anniversary services:

Mt. Pleasant Church, Rawdon cirnit, on Sunday next, Dec. 14, and the
netertainment on Monday evening Dec.
th. A splendid programme, and rereshments served.

Girls' Rubbers, sizes 11 to 2, 25c., at Jno. W. Brown's.

W. Brown's.

Mr. J. O. Herity, of Moira, has entered the ranks of the newspaper fraternity, having purchased the Markham Sun, taking possession the first of Dec. inst. We welcome him as a member of the craft, and wish him every success.

We want to show you our display of good sense, Xmas Presents at Ward's.

good sense, Xmas Presents at Wards.
Elections for County Councillors take
place at the coming municipal elections.
The nomination meeting will be held at
the Foresters' Hall, Spring Brook, on
Monday, Dec. 22nd, at from one to two
o.clock, p.m. If there is polling, the
polls will be opened on Monday, Jan.
5th, 1903. See advertisement in another

Buy your Winter Footwear at Jno. W. Brown's.

A tea meeting under the auspices of L. O. L. No. 300. West Huntingdon, will be held on Thursday evening, Dec. 18th. A number of good speakers are expected to be present, and Miss Haines, of Belleville, elocutionist, and gold medallist, will give recitations. Music by West Huntingdon choir. Tea served from 5 to 7 p.m. See posters.

The Farmers' Institute meetings held here on Friday afternoon and evening last were not as largely attended as on some former occassions, the cold weather probably preventing many from attending. Interesting addresses were given by Mr. D. Drummond and Mr. J. H. Smith, and by the energetic secretary, Mr. J. G. Foster.

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A car load of Rice's Fine Salt, in bbls. and bags, just arrived.

Marmora School Board pays the following teachers' salaries:—E. T. Williams, principal, \$625, Miss Feeney, \$340, Miss Diamond, \$275, and Miss Brown \$275.

There arrived in town this week the latest New York patterns in colored Shirts for the Xmas Trade at Fred. Ward's.

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Tweed News:—At the approachis
municipal election this year Coun
Councillors will have to be selected at
the prospects are that a number of races will appear in that body when
meets for organization in January.
least two members will not seek re-eltion, namely, the present Warden, M
J. T. Holgate, of Sidney, and ex-W
den J. W. Pearce, M.P.P., of Marmo

Showing a majority in the village of 10 against the act. For the township of Rawdon we have not been able to learn the vote.

In Marmora the vote was 68 for and 83 against.

Belleville gave a majority of 25 against the act.

Mr. James Maitland, aged 94 years, died at Belleville from injuries received from being run over by a lady cyclist.

At the County Court and quarter sessions at Belleville this week, the case of Wright vs. Nerrie was disposed of, This was an action brought by the plaintiff to recover the sum of \$200 damages for malicious prosecution. The existence of the country o

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 The Toronto Star (Daily)
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 The Toronto Globe (Daily)
 4.50

PERSONALS.

Miss Essie Innes, of Campbellford, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo H. Luery.

Miss Vina Brown returned this weel from Midland, where she was employed as milliner during the past season.

Births.

FARGEY—In Rawdon, on Thursday, Dec.
he wife of Alex. B. Fargey, of a daughter.

You Will Wake Up

some morning and find you have not got proper Footwear for the season. You cannot afford to go with cold and wet feet when you can get shod from a stock SECOND TO NONE at such MODERATE PRICES.

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OUR NECKWEAR DISPLAY eclipses any of our previous efforts and you know what that means here. Neckwear is always acceptable. Our Xmas purchase was 200 dozen new, styliish and up-to-date, so that you are sure of getting any thing you want in any shade, color or style, at 15c., 25c., 40c., 50c., 75c. 10 doz. 25c. Ties for 15c., 5 doz. 50c. Ties for 25c as long as they last.

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Mitts and Gauntlets, black and grey, Men's Fancy Ties and Braces,
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New Figs, 5 lbs. for -	1 4 15 . Diversity	25c
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Sweet Wine Biscuit, 5 lbs. for		25c
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west Hastings—For, 1,886; against, 2. Majority for, 594. East Hastings—For, 1,789; against, 5. Majority for, 984. North Hastings—For, 2,265; against, 9. Majority for, 1,812.

Mount Pleasant Church

the custom in the Methodist tes of the Rawdon circuit to hold scaries, both of the Church pro-t the Sunday School. Sunday the Mount Pleasant celebrated. The Rev. R. T. e, of Frankford, a former pastor Seymour circuit, ciliciated, of his old friends were present to there him again. There was a

Village Council.

es of a meeting of the village held Dec. 15th. Members pres-G. Thrasher, Reeve, J. Earl ll, and W. J. Spry.

J. Spry. eccipts and disburse-and liabilities, was motion was directed

e council adjourned. John S. Black, Clerk.

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e 24th.
Thompson, of Manitoba, is
former home renewing old
ces, He intends taking a
heep to Manitoba.
n. Barton died on the 17th

James Hall, of Thurlow Township, lear Belleville, was burned to death in fire which consumed his house.

FARM FOR SALE.

JAMES MUNNS, Frankford

FIRE INSURANCE.

The GUARDIAN,

NORWICH UNION,

" SUN,
" GORE,

FARMS FOR SALE.

W. S. MARTIN. Insurance Agent, STIRLING

Boars for Service.

The undersigned offers for service two oroughbred boars, one Yorkshire and the Berkshire, with pedigrees.

GEO. SINE, North Half Lot 8, Con. 7, Rawdon.

SAVE MONEY By Joining Be MUTUAL LITERARY-MUSIC CLUB OF AMERICA

PIERRE'S BLACK CAT

By Florence Goodfellow

Pierre Latroux's mouselike eyes snapped and sparkled like two Jet beads as he listened to the plan Levi Arnold unfolded.

"Mon Dieu!" he exclaimed, "'Tis too good a chance to let slip. You are sure," he added cautiously, "that the scheme is all right so far?"

"Come to my place this evening, and I will give you the diamonds, safe and sound. If they reach my client's hands in New York within a month's time, you will get your reward in gold—500 francs."

It was a simple matter while on board for the smuggler to keep his diamonds and tobacco concealed, but as the Ocean Queen drew nearer the American shores his heart beat wildly between hope and fear, and woven with all his daily duties was the question, "How, how, how?" For to Pierre's ears had come the rumor of Iresh vigilance on the part of the American authorities. Smuggling had become altogether too daring and too frequent. Especially had some tremendous deals in diamonds roused the custom officials to action.

Before the ship had scraped her sides against the pier, however, a plan had been evolved by the Frenchman's ready brain. Inspectors came and went about the ship, but the quick lit-



NSTANTLY A BLACK CAT SPRANG OUT AND DISAPPEARED.

officer entertained them so wittily t they were more alive to the enchman's drollery than to their

News Argus to Jan. 1, 1904, \$1 News-Argus to Jan. 1, '04, \$1. only a cat, and she will run away from me, and I brought her all the way

failure."
e? How is that?

y?"
'Ah, that is what I want to see you lout. How much are they paying low, Mr. Claffin?"

Bath Bags.

Bath bags are easy to make and inexpensive as well. A yard of cheesecloth is sufficient for half a dozen. Fill
with bran, powdered orris root and
castile soap shavings and use as a
sponge.

A Bright Comet.

The comet of 1843 was the only one during the last century visible in broad daylight.

State Flower,
California was the first state in the
Union to choose a state flower. In
1800, at a meeting of the State Floral
association, the golden poppy was
chosen.

Dickens' Characters.

There are 1,425 characters in the works of Charles Dickens.

The Silk Industry.

Italy began the silk industry in the fourteenth century, but in 1750 France surpassed Italy and has since kept the first position.

An Austrian Custom.

In Austria servants and people menial rank of every kind are actomed to kiss the hand of their ployers, a somewhat oriental fast to which it takes some time to get customed.

Swiss Griddlecakes.

Swiss griddlecakes are really potato croquettes in all except form. Grate four or five large potatoes, press part of the water out of them and mix with two beaten eggs and a heaping teaspoonful of salt. Drop by spoonful on a hot greased griddle.

Some one has been figuring out the number of words a man utters in a year and finds the average to be 11,*

Noon takes its name from the Latin word none, the ninth hour, which among the Romans was the time of eating the chief meal of the day.

The Weight of Crowds.

The load which is produced by & the control of persons is generally daken at 80 to 100 pounds per square foot and is considered to be the greatest uniformly distributed load for which a floor need be proportioned.

this time." wen, it is take you won this time." "That's right, that's right," replied Pierre. "It's never too late to right a wrong. Now for the toast. I do not forget—eh?" he added, leading the way to a nearby saloon.

For some time the two men stood at the bar with the basket at their feet. The Frenchman's, ready sallies and stirring anecdotes of the sea kept the crowd around them roaring. Then, when he thought he had remained long enough to avert any suspicion that

The End of The Strike.



s form before many constant of the property of





Then looked each at the other With wide and startled eyes; Then turned to look at mother, In simple childish wise.

WORK FOR CHRISTMAS.



REASONABLY SATISFACTORY.

Mrs. Dick.— "Did you and Joe have good sport?"

Dick.— "Well, we didn't get any game; but we didn't shoot each ather."





WARSHIPS BOMBARD FORT. FLOOD OF CHARITY. British Purse Strings Loosened in Aid of Poor.

A Puerto Cabello, Venesuela, destite augs: The British cruiser are the says: TRAINING FOR FARMERS.

Half a Dozen Agricultural Coleman the says: Training cased the Charybdist marines to occupy the castle, the firing cased the Charybdist marines to occupy the castle, to fortress was almost domolished is probable that only a few persus were injured by the shelling, were injured by the shelling, the commander of Castle Libertador; been taken prisoner. The cruis: there was need of half a dozen meter.

QUEEN TO DINE WIDOWS.

Her Majesty Prepares Christmas Treat for Them.

A London despatch says:—It is arned that Queen Alexandra inends to mark her sympathy for the udrevers in the recent South African far by giving a Christmas dinner all the widows end children now be London of the

ONTARIO SHIPYARD.

Prompt Reprisal for Outrage to Union Jack Followed the Act.

at Sandwich, across the river from Detroit. The primary object of this resolve itself into a strugg the death of thousands plant for the followed the Act.

At London despatch say mastide in Great Britain resolve itself into a strugg the death of thousands plant from cold and hunger. Color the field for general centracts for the following out money like pour field for great actions of further following the collection of further follow

MARKET FOR CANADA. WANTS SALOONS CLOSED. track Toronto Oats for No. 1

An Era of Good Times Dawning in Russians Say Monopoly Has In-west Indies.

An Era of Good Meet Indies.

An Ottawa despatch says: A report has been received from Edgar Tripp, Canadian trade agent in Trindad, in which that gentleman cays that with the action taken by the through the convention toward the abolicusuals convention toward the abolicusuals convention toward the abolicus and the convention toward the convention toward the abolicus and the convention to the c

NEW LINES IN THE WEST.

C. P. R. Pursuing an Active Policy Says Engineer.

MRS. U. S. GRANT DEAD.

BELLS AT CROSSINGS.

This Method of Protection Would Prevent Accidents.

GOOD YEAR FOR I.C.R.

KENSIT'S SLAYER.

LANDMARK DESTROYED.

A Sault Ste. Maric, Ont., despatch says: The residence of ex-Indian Agent William Van Abbott, with entire contents, was burned on Thursday morning about 4 o'clock. This removes one of the old landmarks and the oldest frame building in town, it having been built in

PASSENGERS IN BOND.

Regulations Laid Down Will Now Be Enforced.

MANY FROZEN TO DEATH.

THE MARKETS

Christ-nises to in Trade Centres.

BREADSTUFFS.

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Toronto, Dec. 16. — Wheat — Is steady to firmer at 68 to 69c for No. 2 red and white east, and 68 to 69c for No. 2 red and white east, and 68 to 69c for No. 2 cast. Spring is steady at 66c for No. 1 cast. Manitoba is firmer at 87c saked for No. 1 northern grinding in transit, and 2c less all rail North Bay.

Flour — Is firmer at 82.70 bid for cars of 90 per cent. patents in buyers' bags east or middle freights. Choice brands are held 15c to 20c higher. Manitoba flour is steady at \$4.50 for cars of Hungarian patents and \$2.00 for strong bakers', bags included, on the track Toronto.

Millieed — Is steady at \$16 for cars of shorts and \$14 for bran in bulk east or middle freights. Manitoba millieed is steady at \$19.50 for cars of shorts and \$17.50 for bran, sacks included, Toronto freights.

Barley — Is steady at \$15 for No. 3 east or middle freights.

Burley — Is steady at \$25 for No. 3 east or middle freights.

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9	ed.
	Creamery prints 23c to 24c
ł	do solids, new 22c to 23c
	do do old 20c to 21c
	Dairy tubs and pails,
ä	choice 16c to 18c
	do medium 14c to 15c
	do commen 12c to 121c
	do pound rolls17c to 19c
	do large rolls 16c to 17c
	Cheese - The market is steady,
	with a good demand. Prices are un-
	changed; jobbers quote large at 12%
	to 13c and twins at 13c to 13c.
	Eggs — There is a steady demand
ı	for strictly fresh-gathered, and they
	for strictly fresh-gathered, and they
	all sell readily at 19 to 20c. Sec-
•	onds are unchanged at 14c to 15c,

BUFFALO GRAIN MARKETS.

BUFFALO GRAIN MARKESTS.

Buffalo, Dec. 16. —Flour steady.
Wheat — Spring dull; No. 1 hard spot, 83½c; winter firm; No. 2 red, 7½c. Corn — Steady; No. 3 yellow, 58c; No. 3 corn, 55c. Oats — Offerings light; No. 3 white, 36½c; No. 2 mixed, 34½c. Barloy — 43c to 63c.
Rye — No. 1 in store, 56½c asked.

burnor found ded unconing him Miller Market — Wheat, foreign firm at au advance of 3d; English firm.

Corn — American, irregular, and Danubian steady. Flour—American, firm and rather dearer and English firm.

Will Now Tarly, Dec. 16.—Close — Wheat, Frairs, Dec. 16.—Close — Wheat, Tarly, Dec. 16.—Close — Whe

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Cattle,	
Export cattle \$4.50	\$5.121
Do., light 4.00	4.50
Butcher cattle, choice., 3.75	4.25
Do., ordinary to	
good 3.00	8.50
Stockers, per cwt 2.50	3.25
Sheep and Lamba	

irmer at . 56c for new No. 3 yellow and 65c for old No. 3 yellow on the track Toronto.

Oats — Are steady at 31c to 31½ for No. 1 white east, 30c for No. 2 white high freights, and at 30½ for middle freights.

Oatmenl — Is steady at \$4.10 for cars of bars, \$4.25 for barrels on the track Toronto and 25c more for broken lots.

Peas — Are steady; choice No. 2 milling are quoted at 74½ cast and at 74½ cast and at 74c middle freights.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter — There is a scarcity of choice dairy in tubs and rolls, and prices for these are firm. The supply of medium grades is large ough, and there is an abundance of common staff, chiefly in tubs. Creamery prints are abundance of common staff, chiefly in tubs. Creamery is firm, with a keen demiand Quotations for all sorts are unchanged.

Creamery prints — 23c to 24c do solids, new — 22c to 23c do do old — 20c to 21c Dairy tubs and pails.

Choice — 12c to 12½c

GREAT EGYPTIAN DAM.

Opener by Connaught.

A Cairo despatch says: The great justic Assouan dam was opened on Wed-New nesday in the presence of the Duke and Duchess of Connaught, the Khedidee, Earl Cromer, the British Agent erect in Egypt, and Countess Cromer and the Theorem Connauls General. The Khedidee Counter C

NEWS ITEMS.

Telegraphic Briefs From All Over the Globe.

CANADA.
The Kaslo, B.C., hospital is completed.

Widespread distress among the unemployed is reported throughout Britain.

The Royal Clothing and Fur Store to the Front Again.

FURS.

A Xmas Greeting to all; and as life is short let it be one of kindness and peace, true to ourselves and our country always. A farmer said, a short time ago, this was certainly a good year and good crops, but such a year was always hard on the land. We hope we have no customers like this pessimist—their influence is darkening.

Keep before you always, that this store is largely in the FINE FUR TRADE, comprising Ladies' Fur Coats and Mantles of every length, quality and price; Fur-lined Coats, out; Electric Seal Jackets; Persian Jackets trimmed with Alaska Sable; Caperines, of every price and quality; Fur-lined Capes, silk and wool covering and reveres. This is quite Think of this you men, you who possess bright homes and well regulated families, good wives and bright daughters who could appreciate a nice gift on Xmas morning—a time long hallowed by the kindest associations and reunion of families and friends. Don't forget the Corner Store when looking for Holiday Gifts.

JAS. BOLDRICK

& SON.

Newest Holiday Goods PARKER BROTHERS BANKER BROTHERS ONTARIO.

JUST OPENING NEWEST LINES OF

Perfumes, Soaps, Sundries.

SPECIAL EXCLUSIVE LINE OF

FANCY CITTITA

Toys, Games, Purses, Lamps of all kinds, Toy Books, Gift Books, Bibles, etc.

DRUGS and DRUG SUNDRIES.

We will have the best line of the above goods at

CHAS. E. PARKER,

PARKER'S DRUG AND BOOK STORE.

The F. T. Ward Co.

Only six days more in which to get your Xmas gettings. Time enough yet some say, but the thoughtful, prudent buyer will not leave it all for the last day. You cannot afford to miss looking through our Holiday Stock. We want you to see

We can only give you a few hints in this space.

Women's, Misses' and Children's Gauntlet Mitts, in Grey, Black and Cardinal Curl, 50c., 75c. 90c. each.

Ladies' Silk Blouses, hem stitch effect, \$3.75.

Ladies' Satin Blouses, hem stitch effect, \$4.25.

Fancy Blousing Silks, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 per pattern.

Fancy Cushion Covers, Silk Ties, Silk Handkerchiefs, Scarfs, Ribbons, Silks, Fancy Boxes, Baskets, Toys, etc.

GROCERIES.

Cleaned Currants, Seeded Raisins, Lemon and Citron Peels, Pure Spices, all Canned Goods, Force, Malta Vita, Rolled Oats, Wheat-os, etc., at low prices.

Fine flavor Japan Tea, 25c. lb. We guarantee it.

T. G. CLUTE

MANAGER.
P. S.—We want your Eggs, Butter, Dried Apples, Poultry, etc.

=FANCY GOODS=

Christmas and New Year's.

Our display of FANCY CHINA, etc. is larger and better than ever, such as fancy shapes in SALADS, CAKE and FRUIT DISHES, CELERY TRAYS, BON-BON DISHES, ASH TRAYS, etc. Come early and select your choice.

GROCERIES.

You will always find a fresh and complete stock of Groceries with us. Worth noting is our assortment of Fancy Cakes and Biscuits, Chocolates, Bon-Bons, etc.

SPECIALS—3 lbs. Best Mixed Candy for - 25c.
5 lbs. Wine Biscuit for - 25c.

We want your Turkeys, Geese, Ducks and Chickens. for which we will pay the highest price.

S. HOLDEN.

PARKER BROTHERS

A General Banking Business

4 per cent. allowed on Deposits.

ADVERTISING NOTICES.

RAILWAY TIME TABLE.
Trains call at Stirling station as follows:—
SOLNG EAST. Going West.

Mail & Ex... 6.27 a. m. Accom..... 10.35 a. m

Accom..... 6.43 p. m. Mail & Ex. 3.43 p. m

The Stirling News-Argus.

THURSDAY, DEC. 18, 1902.

LOCAL MATTERS.

A Merry Christmas and a Prospero and Happy New Year to all.

The rain and thaw of Tuesday caused the sleighing to be very thin in places

Remember the entertainment to be given by pupils of the High School in the Music Hall on New Year's night.

Nominations for County Councillors will take place at Spring Brook on Mon-day next, Dec. 22nd. Polling on Jan-uary 5th. Miss Olive E. Hicks, of Belleville, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Thrasher.
Mr. E. J. Doak, who has been attending the College of Pharmacy, Toronto, is home for the holidays.

Municipal nominations a week from
Monday. As yet we have not heard of
any one aspiring to the office of Reeve
or Councillor.

Ior the holidays.

Misses Gladys and Lena Clarke, of
Harkford, have been visiting Mr. and
Mrs. Henry Kerr, the past week.

Mr. Ed. Parks and sister and Miss E.

Don't forget the Xmas Entertainment at Bethel Church on Tuesday evening next, Dec. 23rd. A good programme will be rendered.

What is the matter with the street lamps? That is the question asked the past two nights. It has been very dark, but no street lamps were visible.

The annual meeting of Evergreen Cheese Manufacturing Company, advertised for Tuesday last, has been postponed to Saturday next, at one o'clock, n.m.

The things for Xmas Gifts are piled up at Fred. Ward's: We want you to pull them

More than two weeks of a holiday time will be enjoyed by school children and teachers, this year, as the schools will close on Dec. 19th, and re-open on Jan. 5th.

Next Thursday being Christmas Day THEN NEWS-ARGUS will be issued on the day previous. Advertisers and corres-pondents will please remember this and govern themselves accordingly.

Ward's.

Mr. J. H. Warren, of Marmora, announces in the Herald that he is a candidate for county councillor for this division. We learn that Mr. W. H. Hubbell, of Marmora, is also a candidate for that position.

The Campbellford School Board has unanimously granted Mr. Joseph Frappy, Principal of the Public School, \$100 increase to his present salary, to take effect 1st of January next. His salary will then be \$700 per annum.

No need to worry; just read Fred.

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Ward's ad.

The Belleville City Council has passed a resolution forbidding smoking in the polling booths on the day of the municipal election. It was stated that the polling places were used as loafing dens and made vile with tobacco smoke, and that lady voters refused to enter. It would be well if a similar rule were enforced here and elsewhere.

Coal and Mr. Robert H. Carstairs died sudden-ly while sitting in his chair on Satur-day afternoon last. He had been a res-ident of the village for several years and was highly respected by every one A more lengthy notice appears in an other column. Wood

BELLEVILLE HARDWARE CO., LTD.,

Pinnacle St., BELLEVILLE, ONT.

THE NEWS-ARGUS

TO NEW SUBSCRIBERS.

To 1st of Jan. 1904, for \$1.00.

The News-Argus will cube with the collowing papers at the rates mentioned. The Weekly Mail & Empire, with one premium picture. 1.75 The Weekly Sun 1.80 The Family Herald & Weekly Star, with two premium pictures. 1.80 The Farmers' Advocate (new subscribers) 1.80 The Toronto Star (Daily) 2.20 The Toronto Globe (Daily) 4.50

Auction Sales.

good showing in the league,
Belleville Ontario of Tuesday: James
Gallagher, an agod and respected resident of this city, passed away yesterday afternoon at his late residence on
Benjamin street. He was born in Ireland \$2 years ago and came to this
country 62 years ago. He had lived in
this country over half a century. His
wife preceded him to the grave a year
ago. Five children survive, namely,
Mrs. John Lafferty, of this city,
Mrs. Hugh O'Hara, Mrs. F. Mithalo, and
John, of Syracuse. The remains will
be interred in Stirling.

NOTICE.

We respectfully reto settle their accounts for the current year before 1st JAN., 1903.

H. & J. WARREN, Hardware, Stoves, Tinware MILL ST.

BARTON—In Rawdon, on Dec. 17th, Margaretta Barton, aged 79 years, 6 months and 3 days.

My Store is filled with Goods, all New and Up-to-Date.

Hundreds of pairs of MITTENS and GLOVES to select from. All kinds and

Just put in stock a quantity of BIB-BY'S CREAM for Calves.

L. MEIKLEJOHN.

The NEWS-ARGUS

TO NEW SUBSCRIBERS,

TO JAN. 1, 1904, \$1.00.

THE

Stirling News-Argus

JAMES CURRIE.

Subscription Price, \$1.00 per year,
If paid in advance. If not so paid, \$1.26 wil
be charged.
Correspondence is invited on all legitimate
subjects, the real name of the writer to be
urnished the editor in every case. This rule
an have no exception.



of same—we are prepared to tope what the masses country. Xmas is not far distant—you know what that means. Our store is thoroughly equipped with the finest to the coarest for the prattling youth to the aged grandfather. We invite your inspection—it costs nothing and may be greatly beneficial to you. Some Merry Xmas Boxes. | Special for the Ladies.

Christmas Shoes

at the Exclusive Shoe Store.

Yes, nothing but Shoes—we make, buy and sell, what are universally considered the BEST. The Shoe Business is a specialty with us. Having been in the business for years and made a study of same—we are prepared to cope with the largest concerns in the country.

al SLIPS— Red Satin Juliets, Black " "

Mauve "Black Felt Romeos, Claret Felt Slippers, Velvet Fancy Slippers, Fancy Carpet Silps.

These with many others comprise the Xmas Slippers.

Matter Belt Belt, Boots.

Slippers, Also a full line of Ladies' Walking Oxfords.

SECCIAL FOR MEN.

Box Coalf, blacher cut, strictly new Bals Pat Kid. " very new "
Calf. " very new "

Wishing you all a very Merry Xmas and Prosperous New Year.

CEO. REYNOLDS.

King Quality—Patent leather, dull top, French heel, Boots. King Quality—Dongola, patent tip, latest heel, Boots. Dongola, American, Strap Dress Slivners

THE STIRLING NEWS-ARGUS.

\$1.00 PER ANNUM IN ADVANCE. } \$1.25 IF NOT PAID IN ADVANCE.

STIRLING, HASTINGS COUNTY, ONT., THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1902

CLAUS=

HAS AGAIN MADE HIS HEADQUARTERS

FRED. T. WARD'S STORE.

He seems to be quite hearty and happy and he wants everybody else to be the same. He is a common-sense old fellow too, and believes that a useful Christmas Gift is the one a gentleman or lady appreciates the most. So he has placed on his list something for father, mother, brother, sister, uncle, aunt or sweetheart, the following useful and comfortable gifts.

The "Sterling Hall" stock is now large and fully assorted in every depart sparingly used in making our purphases, to pound prices down to the lowest level, and our customers will reap the profit harvest in our money-saving prices.

FOR THE LADIES—Fine Furs in Jackets, Caperines, Sable Ruffs, Sable Boas, Sable Muffs, Fur Gauntlets, Imitation Gauntlets in Persian Lamb and Sealette, Fur Caps in Grey Lamb, Seal and Persian Lamb, etc.

A LONG LIST FOR THE MEN AND BOYS—Suits, Overcoats, Gloves, Gauntlets, Mufflers, Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, Fancy Hosiery, Underwear, Fancy Suspenders, Silk Umbrellas, Smoking Jackets, Bath Robes, Night Robes, Silk Pocket Handkerchiefs, Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched and plain.

OUR NECKWEAR DISPLAY eclipses any of our previous efforts and you know what that means here. Neckweais always acceptable. Our Xmas purchase was 200 dozen new, styllish and up-to-date, so that you are sure of getting any thing you want in any shade, color or style, at 15c., 25c., 40c., 50c., 75c. 10 doz. 25c. Ties for 15c., 5 doz. 50c. Ties for 25c.

A beautiful line of Mufflers in Black Silk and Satin, made up in all the newest shapes, also in squares to fold as you please, 50c., 60c., 75c., \$1, \$1.25, \$1.50. A full line of Wool Mufflers, 15c., 20c., 25c., 40c., 50c., 75c. Choice line of Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c. to \$1.50.

Our store is blooming with just the things anyone would be delighted to receive for a Christmas Gift. Come and see our display at any rate.

Wishing you a Merry, Merry Christmas, from your Tailor, Furnisher, Clothier and Furrier,

FRED. WARD.

Address and Presentation.

Signed on behalf of Mount Pleasant Church:

Sudden Death at Moira.

Death of Mr. James Cleak.

Christmas Gifts

FOR HOLIDAY PRESENTS.

In buying or choosing your Xmas Gifts, don't forget we are on top, and can show you the cheapest and best assortment in town.

Fancy Tray Cloths, Doylies, Stand Covers, Bed Spreads, Cushion Tops, Silk Table Scarfs, Silk Drapes,
Silk Handkerchiefs, Men's Scarfs,
Wool Fascinators. Wool Fascinators, Toques,
Mitts and Gauntlets, black and grey,
Men's Fancy Ties and Braces,
Bedroom Towels, in great variety.

Berry Sets, Cuff Holders, Tie Holders, Tea Sets.

Pin Trays, Collar Holders, Cuspidors, Breakfast Plate Fancy Tea Plates, Celery Dishes, Bedroom Suites, Dinner Sets, Salt and Pepper Shakers,

Collarettes, Muffs, Caps, Fancy Flannels, Silk Blouse Ready-to-Wear Skirts, Ladies' Tailor Suits, Ladies' Cap Flannelette Sheets, Flannel She Wrappers, Waists, Shawls, Tie Downs, Fur Caps, Men's Mittens, Fancy Handkerchiefs in thousands.

C. F. STICKLE.

Christmas at Calder's Jewellery Store.

Our stock to choose from is nearly double that of former years—many Novelties well adapted for Holiday Giving.

ORMOLU GOLD CLOCKS, AUSTRIAN JEWEL BOXES, CARD TRAYS, TRINKET TRAYS, WINE SETS, etc.

Cut Glass Pepper and Salts, with Sterling Silver tops, \$1.00 pair Gold mounted Fountain Pens, Seal Skin Purses, Silver mounted Ciga Cases, Bon-Bon Dishes.

New lines in PAPETERIES and PERFUMES.

A complete line of Jewelry of all kinds. See our Westminister Chim Clock, §25.00. Our store is so brilliantly lighted that shoppers can buy as well in the even ing as day time.

W. H. CALDER

JEWELER & OPTICIAN

Just received a full line of Rogers' Flat Ware. Prices right.

IF YOU WANT THE BEST TO BE HAD IN

Christmas Groceries It will pay you to come to us. Never before have we been so well prepared to fill your wants in this line. We have a select stock and quote the lowest

Finest Valencia and California Raisins, Cleaned Currants, Figs and Dates, Peels, Spices, Marmalades, Canned Goods, etc.

IN CROCKERY AND CHINAWARE

we will give you anything you wish for. Dinner and Tea Sets at close pric Something nice in Bedroom Sets, Five O'Clock Tea Sets, Porridge Sets, E Baskets, Salad Bowls, Fruit Dishes, and all the novelties to be found in first-class stock of Chinaware.

Remember us when you are looking for anything in the line of

Fancy Biscuits & Confectionery

for we are in the Lead. Goods delivered to any part of the town

"Sterling Hall."

Headquarters for Reliable Goods at Reasonable Prices.

Profitable Reading for Careful Buyers.

Clean Goods Closely Priced.

6000 yds. Grey Cottons at less than present mill prices, bought last Spring a low market and now sold accordingly—Yard wide, Heavy Cottons at 5c., and 8c., now worth 6c., 8c. and 10c.

1000 yds. White Cotton (Steamloom), extra heavy, worth $12\frac{1}{2}c$, for 10c. yd. Flannelette Remnants, 10 to 12 yd. ends, in both light and dark colors, at c. per lb.

7 lb. size All Wool Blankets, worth \$3.00 for \$2.50.

Xmas Xtras.

We have just opened up an import package of fine Valenciennes Laces, Lace Applique Trimmings, Embroideries, Fancy Linens, Pillow Shams, Lace Trimmed and Embroidered Handkerchiefs, etc. These are well worth in-specition.

Gloves, Mitts, Gauntlets.

Every want of Man, Woman and Child has been looked after in the as mbling of our stock.

Gauntlets in real Fur and Imitation at 50c. to \$5.00 pair.

Men's Kid and Moca Gloves, lined and unlined, at 50c. to \$2.00 pair.

Boys' Mitts and Gloves at 25c. to 50c. pair.

Ladies' Cashmere, Ringwood and Moca Gloves at 25c. to \$1.25 pair.

FANCY GOODS.

Take a look at our tables and counters covered with Fancy China and Glass, Toys and Novelties. 25c. makes a big purchase.

FURS.

Fur time is coming gentle reader and the "Sterling Hall" prices on Fur Garments of every style and kind will save you dollars to invest in other purchases. Have a look at our offerings in the fur line, and have a talk with us on the fur question before purchasing.

GROCERIES.

"Sterling Hall" Groceries as you all know are always fresh and good and our prices share the profits with you.

Trenor's Blue Eagle Raisins	-	-	7.	10c. 11
New Clean Currants, 4 lbs. for	-			250
New Figs, 5 lbs. for -		1-		250
New Prunes, 5 lbs. for -				250
Sweet Wine Biscuit, 5 lbs. for	1	130	1000	250
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kes and the air.

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A treatment highly recommended by a scientific magazine for poisoning from ivy is to wet a slice of bread with water, dust it with common washing soda and apply to rom the outside. Half an hour of this treatment is said to be a sure the of the first was it was

THE SHAH'S WIVES.

One in every 200 of the population of India belongs either to the French or Portuguese colonies.

looked a little hurt, so nt Hatley smoothed his face gravely: "Very well, little I'll marry you. Make haste y nn!"

oxclaimed her father, who ered in time to overhear the hark. "Wait till Mr. Right and then we shall see! I say, by you think?" he continued, ing both ladies. "I've had a com Hatley. He is giving up ointment and is coming back up his residence at Hatley like the play.

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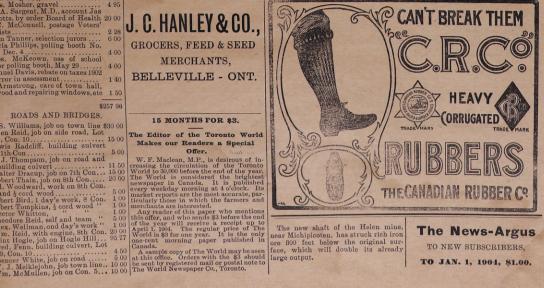
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No. 3 white, 37c; No. 2 mixc. Barley — 47 to 63c. Rye
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show that investigation proves that
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A New York despatch says:—Hon. Joseph Chamberlain is to have the assistance of the Boer generals in his investigation into conditions South Africa. This information contained in a letter written by General Louis Botha, from Brussels to the trustees of the Holland Society of this city. It is further intimated that in order to be of all the assistance possible to the visiting statesman, in order that he may see the great needs of the devastated country. Generals Botha, De Wet and Delarcy have postponed their contemplated visit to America in order to hasten back to South Africa. They will visit to America in order to hasten back to South Africa. They will visit America is the content of the contemplated visit to America in order to hasten back to South Africa. They will visit America later.

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LOCAL MATTERS.

A Merry Christmas.

Services will be held in St. John's hurch on Christmas Day at 8 a.m and

John K. Minchin, one of the returned soldiers from South Africa, and nephew of our townsman, W. H. Minchin, is to visit his uncle in Stirling early in the new year. We see by the Evening Mercury, of Guelph, that the citizens of Guelph gave a hearty welcome to Corporal Minchin and Sergt. Wilkinson on Friday, the 16th inst.

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Central Cheese and Butter Factory.

The annual meeting of this factory was held on Saturday last. From the tatement submitted we take the follow-

Lbs. milk received2,	958,166
Lbs. cheese made	280,564
Lbs. milk in lb. cheese	10.525
Returns from sales of cheese. \$28	3,362.22
Average selling price	10.068
Paid in dividends	,581.58
Value of patrons milk per stand-	
ard	25.92
Value of stockholders milk per	
standard	27.68
Paid for manufacturing cheese 1	,828.66
Factory expense account	407.69
Profits to company	694.75
The old board of directors w	ere re
elected	

The Belleville Portland Cement Combany have decided to erect their plant it Point Ann. The capital stock is \$2500,000. It will be one of the largest hills in the world and will turn out as not be cement as all the mills in Canada ogether.

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